

EDITORIAL

The 67th volume of “Memórias do Instituto Butantan” presents the proceedings of the XII Annual Scientific Meeting of Butantan Institute, organized by the Division for Scientific Development. The theme of the 12th edition of the Instituto Butantan’s meeting is “Biotechnology and Innovation in Public Health: Perspectives for the Next Decade.”

The scientific program addresses important issues regarding new biotechnology approaches for the solution of public health problems and development of human resources. Three theme sessions and a conference were planned in order to discuss these topics.

Also, the meeting includes three poster sessions, Young Scientist Awards in four categories (scientific initiation, PAP program, master and doctoral degrees), one special session entitled “Memories of Instituto Butantan” with focus on the history of its Scientific Collections, and a tribute to Prof. Henriques Moisés Canter.

The 67th volume brings together all poster abstracts presented in the Poster Sessions of the following areas: Venoms and Envenomations; Biochemistry; Pharmacology; Immunology and Vaccines; Microorganisms; Biotechnology; Cellular Biology and Genetics; Animal Biology; History, Education and Science Diffusion; Others; Scientific Initiation (PIBIC) and PAP program. The impressive number of submitted posters indicates the involvement of our scientific community with the Annual Scientific Meeting. These abstracts are representative of the scientific research that was carried out at Instituto Butantan in the last year. Therefore, the “Memórias do Instituto Butantan” electronic issue is an important source of scientific information and knowledge dissemination.

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